Showcase Members and Participants:

As you know, the filing date(s) for the Showcase Off-Road Diesel Construction Equipment Retrofit Demonstration Program has closed. I am please to report that we had an overwhelming response to the project, with 23 participants from the emission control industry, and 21 applications from fleet owners submitting 245 vehicles for inclusion. I know that many of you are inquiring regarding the timing of the project, and I want to assure you that it is moving forward as expeditiously as possible. However, with the number of applications received, it will take some additional time beyond what was anticipated to evaluate and rank the applications.

We anticipate that the manufacturer/fleet matching phase will begin shortly, and once that is done, we will contact each applicant individually. I want to assure you that although the start date and installation time frames may be somewhat longer than originally anticipated, the project is still moving ahead and additional information on the project will be sent out as soon as it is available. In order to keep all stakeholders informed of our progress, we will be updating the Showcase webpage regularly regarding the status of the project, which may be found at: www.arb.ca.gov/diesel/showcase/showcase.htm.

We appreciate your interest and participation in this project. If you have any additional questions, please contact Ms. Susan Reed of my staff, at (626) 575-6847.

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